

REMARKS

Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

Initially, the Applicant would like to thank the Examiner for the indication that claims 3-6 contain allowable subject matter and would be allowed if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

However, in the Final Official Action, the Examiner rejects claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 5,066,295 to Kozak et al., (hereinafter "Kozak").

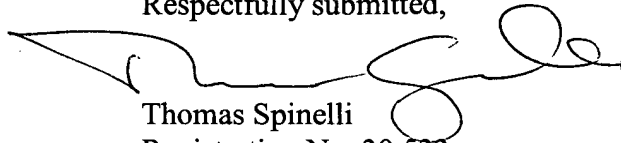
In response, claims 1 and 2 have been canceled thereby rendering the rejection thereof moot. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the canceled claims in one or more continuing applications. Accordingly, the Examiner is respectfully requested to withdraw the rejection of claims 1 and 2 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b).

Furthermore, allowable claims 3-6 have been rewritten in independent form to include the features of their base claim (2). No new matter has been entered into the disclosure by way of the amendment to claims 3-6.

In view of the above, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that this application be allowed and a Notice of Allowance issued. If the Examiner believes that a telephone

conference with Applicant's attorneys would be advantageous to the disposition of this case,
the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

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